# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



### **FISCAL NOTE**

HB 408 - SB 452

February 16, 2017

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Adds at least three members to the state Board of Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States. One member will be appointed by the Speaker of the Senate and one member will be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. At least one member shall be a Commissioner by virtue of having been elected as a life member of the National Conference on Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. Authorizes members, life members, and the associate member of the Board to receive travel reimbursement for attending the annual conference of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$3,400**

#### Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-9-101, there are currently three members on the Board all of whom are appointed by the Governor.
- The bill will add at least three new members.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-9-104, members of the Board are authorized to receive travel reimbursement.
- Based on information from the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, the annual 2017 conference will be held in San Diego, California and is scheduled to be six days and five nights. Future conferences are assumed to occur over a like number of days and nights.
- Pursuant to the Tennessee's travel reimbursement regulations, the state per diem rate is a minimum of \$51 per day for meals (75 percent of this amount, or \$38, on travel days) and the reimbursement for lodging is reasonably estimated to be at least \$100 per night.
- Based on information from the Department of Finance and Administration, the average price for employee reimbursement for airfare in FY15-16 was \$364.
- The recurring increase in state expenditures relative to a minimum of three new members attending the conference each year is estimated to exceed \$3,434 [(\$51 x 3 members x 2 days x 75.0% per diem) + (\$51 x 3 members x 4 days x 100% per diem) + (100 x 3 members x 5 nights) + (\$364 x 3)].

## **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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